



The Original Denton District

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Gary Gibbs, Ph.D.
Executive Director
Texas Commission on the Arts
Cultural District Grant Program
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Dear Dr. Gibbs:

This letter is to express the full support of the Original Denton District (ODD) for Texas Filmmaker Corporation's application for the Arts Respond – Cultural District Project grant.

Texas Filmmakers Corporation is requesting \$50,000.00 of grant funding from the TCA to support the continued growth and sustainability of the Thin Line Fest, specifically for artist salaries. As it enters its 20th anniversary year, the Thin Line Festival is Texas's longest running film festival specifically dedicated to the art and science of documentary film making.

Almost every element of the Thin Line Festival takes place within the Original Denton District. The Texas Filmmakers Corporation metrics show that around 60% of attendees come to the festival from zip codes outside of Denton, making the festival a particularly robust economic development boon.

We are honored and pleased to support this application for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Matthew Hamilton
Chief Financial Officer
City of Denton
on Behalf of the Original Denton District